

**441—153.14(232) Realignment of decategorization project boundaries.** If a governance board votes to change the composition of counties participating in the project, the governance board shall send a letter to the department director that describes the nature of the proposed project realignment and is signed by each board member who supports the proposed realignment.

**153.14(1)** If the realignment request involves the move of one or more counties from one decategorization project to another, the governance board of the project receiving the county or counties shall send a letter to the department director expressing support for the realignment.

**153.14(2)** The department director shall review the request and within 30 days shall provide a written decision to the project governance boards involved.

*a.* In evaluating the request, the department director shall consider the reasons expressed for the proposed realignment and the community and budgetary impacts of the realignment.

*b.* The director may consult with governance board representatives and others before making a decision.